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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am writing to express my support for broadband competition. I previously had DSL service through AT&T and switched many years ago to a local startup for my internet service. Since they my local company has installed fiber and I've been able to upgrade to fiber and now both my phone and internet service are from this fiber line. This would not have been possible without broadband competition. I am much happier with the service I received from my local company than I had been with AT&T. I am concerned that taking away access to unbundled network elements will limit competition and lead to higher prices and less deployment of fiber technology.

I urge you to continue to allow access to unbundled network elements to encourage competition and deployment of new fiber optic technology.

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